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MINUTES OF CONFERENCE CALL MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

A meeting of the CPBN Legislative Committee was held on Monday, April 18, 2011 by telephone conference call. A telephone was available for public use in Suite M245 at 4600 Kietzke Lane, Reno, Nevada 89502.

The following Committee Member was present at the roll call at 2:20 PM: Paul Jackson, Committee Chair

Also present were CPBN Lobbyists Marsha Berkbigler and Mendy Elliott, David Rovetti, DC, and Executive Director Cindy Wade.

Mr. Jackson determined that a quorum of the Committee was not present, therefore, no action will be taken. He called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 1 Discussion/possible action regarding bill amendments in committee.

Marsha reported that SB412, the homeopaths' bill to establish a complementary integrative medicine board, has been essentially gutted and now basically addresses only homeopathic practice. Marsha will watch this bill closely and will contribute to anything that might favor our board. NCA President James Overland, DC, commented that this bill has garnered more attention from the profession than any other bill and there is still some concern about the existing language. Marlene Lockard commented that the legislative intent is clear but the bill still needs to be monitored.

Marsha reported that AB1 passed with some amendments. It will require boards to periodically report certain financial information to Interim Finance and the Legislative Commission from July 1, 2011 through March 1, 2013. The information collected will be rolled into a Sunset bill in the 2013 Legislature. She will continue to monitor it carefully.

AB21 did not pass through but it could get inserted into AB1. This also needs to be watched closely.

AB402 would require state agencies to participate in a credit card contract through the Department of Administration. Mendy reported that there apparently has been an amendment making some technical changes. They will send a recap as soon as the amendment is available. AB240 would require state agencies to wait two years to contract with former employees. The final amendment is not yet available.

The NCA lien bill, AB119, died in committee. AB382 to establish chiropractic preceptorship passed through with amendments conforming to the hearing testimony.

Although DCs are exempted from the Dieticians' bill, AB289, it still needs to be watched.

AB342, which would have required agency publications to be sent electronically, died in committee.

AB474 will establish a Sunset Subcommittee to research certain information required to be submitted by all boards and commissions. Based on their results, the Legislative Counsel Bureau will report to the 2013 Legislature on the need for a determination of termination, modification, consolidation or continued operation of each board and commission. Marsha reported that it passed with some amendments and parts of four or five other bills will probably be combined into it. She will keep a close watch on this bill.

Agenda Item 2 Discussion/possible action regarding bills on the floor.

There are currently no bills on the floor that we need to watch.

Agenda Item 3 Discussion/possible action regarding all relative bills.

No other bills were discussed.

Agenda Item 4 Public Comment.

There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 PM.

Approved: June 4, 2011

Paul Jackson, Legislative Committee Chair